Multi-Agency Crime Blitz Results in Mass Arrests

New Castle County and Kent County — A multi-agency operation conducted on Thursday, January 25, 2018, at targeted locations in both counties has resulted in the arrest of 44 individuals on criminal charges.

This crime blitz covered several jurisdictions and areas including Middletown, Odessa, Townsend, Smyrna, Southern New Castle County and Northern Kent County. The operation was initiated in these areas to target ongoing criminal activity and to address quality of life issues.

During the eight hour enforcement blitz, police arrested 44 individuals for either a criminal charge or outstanding capiases. The following were seized: four firearms (1 stolen), over 140 grams of Cocaine, 251.88 grams of Marijuana, .602 grams of Heroin, 3.5 Prescription Pills, over \$3,500.00 in United States Currency and 124 ammunition rounds. We made 31 traffic arrests, 33 criminal arrests and 3 civil citations during the crime blitz.

This initiative was a collaborative effort between the Delaware State Police, Probation and Parole, New Castle County Police Department, Middletown Police Department, Smyrna Police Department, Newport Police Department, Capital Police Department, Department of Corrections and Justice of the Peace Courts.

This combined effort highlights how the cooperation of multiple law enforcement agencies can effectively combat crime which in turn increases the quality of life for the communities we serve.

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